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SUBJECT: ELECTION CAMPAIGN

1. LOCAL GROUPS APPEAR TO BE SHIFTING INTO HIGH GEAR IN LAST MINUTE DECLARATIONS OF SUPPORT. SEVERAL LEAFLETS HAVE APPEARED

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IN DANANG LISTING PRESIDENTIAL AND SENATORIAL LISTS TO VOTE FOR. ALTHOUGH LEAFLETS DO NOT OPENLY STATE WHICH GROUP IT REPRESENTS THERE SEEMS LITTLE DOUBT IN EACH CASE.

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2. TWO LEAFTLETS GENERALLY ACCEPTED AS EMANATING FROM PRO-AN QUANG BUDDHISTS HAVE BEEN FOUND. FIRST LEAFLET LISTED PHAN-KHAC SUU FOR PRESIDENT AND SENATE LISTS INCLUDED TRAN-VAN-DONJ (13) NGUYEN-VAN-CU (6), VU-QUOC-THUC (4), TRAN-VAN-DO (17), AND PHAN-BA-CAM (10). SECOND LEAFLET ADDED STATEMENT "WE ARE GIVING OUR VOTES FOR PRES AND VEEP TO PHAN-KHAC-SUU ETC AND ALSO ADDED SENATE LIST LED BY LE-VAN-NGHIEM (46).

3. A THIRD LEAFLET OF OBVIOUS CATHOLIC ORIGIN ASKS VOTERS TO PLEASE CAST THEIR VOTES FOR THIEU AND KY AND FOR SENATE LISTS LED BY NGUYEN-GIA-HIEN (8), NGUYEN-VAN-HUYEN (9), VO-QUY-HY (44), AND HUYNH-VAN-CAO (31). COMMENT: APPARENTLY LEAFLET ISSUED BY LEDDK WHICH PLACES DIFFERENT PRIORITY THAN BISHOP AND SOME OTHER CATHOLIC LEADERS).

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4. A FOURTH LEAFLET HAS BEEN ISSUED BY YOUTH FREEDOM FORCE (LUC LUONG THANH-NIEN TU-DO) ADVOCATING SUPPORT FOR THIEU AND KY TO HAVE VICTORY OVER COMMUNISTS.

5. COMMENT: ALL LEAFLETS ABOVE ARE REPORTED FOR FIRST TIME. LEAFLETS ADVOCATING SUPPORT FOR PRESIDENTIAL AND SENATORIAL LISTS INCLUDE NAME AND DRAWING OF LISTS BALLOT EMBLEM.

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